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Linde Family Foundation

Arts Education Initiative

Program: The Linde Family Foundation has launched a new Arts Education Initiative for youth-serving programs in Boston. With the initiative, the foundation will support programs that provide Boston children from kindergarten through grade eight with opportunities to engage in art making activities in a range of artistic disciplines and contexts, including both in- and out-of school settings, with a goal of developing lifelong appreciation for and engagement in the arts. The emphasis of the Arts Education Initiative is on supporting programs that offer children quality experiences and a high level of engagement over a sustained time period. The foundation has a particular interest in programs that:

- Bring arts opportunities to more children (access);
- Make the distribution of arts opportunities more equitable (equity);
- Elevate the quality of arts instruction (quality);
- Facilitate young people's progress through a learning pathway that opens doors for steppingstone opportunities or for previously inaccessible or unknown resources; and
- Forge partnerships with other programs or organizations to accomplish goals.

Funds: Maximum grant size: \$25,000 per year for two years

Number of awards: up to ten

Deadline: October 7, 2010 for letters of intent

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status

Information: Meredith Eppel Jylkka, Program Officer, Linde Family Foundation, c/o Mott Philanthropic, 316 Newbury Street, Fourth Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02115
telephone: (617) 927-5722, fax: (617) 927-5710, email:
meppeljylkka@mottphilanthropic.com, link:
http://www.docs.mott.com/lff_2011_arts_education_initiative

MetLife Foundation

Museum and Community Connections Program

Program: The purpose of the MetLife Foundation's Museum and Community Connections program is to encourage art museums in select cities in the United States to reach out to large numbers of people of all ages and backgrounds through imaginative programs or exhibits that help them understand and appreciate each other and the world. The foundation encourages collaboration and partnership with other organizations. Museums may request funding for one or a combination of the following categories, although the requested project does not have to be limited to these categories.

- Collaborations – Partnerships between 1) mainstream museums and

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culturally specific museums; 2) museums and nonprofit organizations serving diverse populations whose primary mission does not focus on the arts (such as community centers, social service organizations, immigrant and refugee organizations, and others); and 3) museums and arts organizations of all types.

- Artist Residencies – Bringing artists with diverse perspectives to conduct programs for a museum or community.
- Exhibits – Displays of works by artists that engage audiences and promote understanding of the world and different cultures.
- Offsite Programming – Programs that extend the reach of the museum into diverse and underserved communities, including new immigrant communities, such as off-site lectures, exhibits and programs, mobile museums, and other projects.

Funds: Total funds available: \$500,000
Maximum grant size: \$75,000

Deadline: October 15, 2010

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status

Information: Museum and Community Connections, MetLife Foundation, 1095 Avenue of the Americas, 40th Floor, New York, NY 10036, link:
<http://www.metlife.com/assets/cao/contributions/citizenship/museum-and-community-connections-2010-rpf.pdf>

VSA and MetLife Foundation

Arts Connect All Program

Program: VSA, an international nonprofit that works to create a society where people with disabilities learn through, participate in, and enjoy the arts, and the MetLife Foundation have designed the Arts Connect All funding opportunity to encourage arts organizations to create or enhance multi-session, inclusive education programs by strengthening partnerships with local elementary and secondary public schools. The Arts Connect All program is designed to enable more students with disabilities to:

- experience social, cognitive, and cultural development through arts learning alongside their peers without disabilities;
- create educational access and inclusion in the arts for students with disabilities; and
- document the contributions that arts organizations make to inclusive education in public schools.

VSA and MetLife Foundation invite proposals from arts organizations working to create or enhance inclusive educational programs that incorporate inclusive teaching practices; provide access to students with all types of disabilities; develop social, cognitive, and artistic skills; involve people with disabilities in planning and implementation; build staff, teacher, and/or artist knowledge and skill of inclusive

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practices; and collaborate with public schools, actively engaging students, parents, and school administrators. Eligible programs must have students with disabilities and without disabilities learning together at the same time and place; must involve elementary and secondary public school students in the target audience; must be ongoing or have multiple sessions; and may take place during school hours or after school.

Funds: Maximum grant size: \$15,000
Number of awards: ten

Deadline: November 19, 2010

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit performing or exhibiting arts organizations with 501 (c) 3 status that have as their primary mission the goal of advancing the arts or a specific art form and are creating or have an established educational program

Information: VSA, 818 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 600, Washington, D.C. 20006, telephone: (202) 628-2800, email: artsconnectall@vsarts.org, link: <http://www.vsarts.org/x273.xml>

EDUCATION

U.S. Department of Education Office of Elementary and Secondary Education Advanced Placement Test Fee Program

Program: The Advanced Placement (AP) Test Fee program awards grants to eligible state educational agencies to enable them to pay all or a portion of advanced placement test fees on behalf of eligible low-income students who:

- 1) are enrolled in an advanced placement course; and
- 2) plan to take an advanced placement exam.

The program is designed to increase the number of low-income students who take advanced placement tests and receive scores for which college academic credit is awarded.

Funds: Average grant size: \$438,280
Range of grants: \$8,476 - \$4,377,999
Number of awards: 42

Deadline: November 17, 2010

Eligible: state educational agencies

Information: Francisco Ramirez, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3E224, Washington, DC 20202-6200, telephone: (202) 260-1541, email: francisco.ramirez@ed.gov, link: <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/pdf/2010-21877.pdf>

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ENVIRONMENT

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Grants

Program: The Environmental Protection Agency's Brownfields Program provides funding for three types of grants to empower states, communities, tribes, and nonprofits to prevent, inventory, assess, clean up, and reuse brownfield sites. Through this program, the EPA will fund grants to capitalize a revolving fund and to make loans and provide subgrants to carry out cleanup activities at brownfield sites.

Funds: Total funds available: \$11,000,000
Maximum grant size: \$1,000,000
Number of awards: 11

Deadline: October 15, 2010

Eligible: Public agencies

Information: Diane Kelley, EPA Region 1, One Congress Street, Suite 1100, Boston, MA 02114-2023, telephone: (617) 918-1424, fax: (617) 918-1291, email: Kelley.Diane@epa.gov, link: <http://www.epa.gov/oswer/docs/grants/epa-oswer-oblr-10-10.pdf>

CFDA: 66.818

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Brownfields Cleanup Grants

Program: A component of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Programs, the cleanup grants are designed to empower states, communities, tribes, and nonprofits to prevent, inventory, assess, clean up, and reuse brownfields sites.

Funds: Total funds available: \$29,500,000
Maximum grant size: \$200,000
Number of awards: 147

Deadline: October 15, 2010

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations and public agencies

Information: Diane Kelley, EPA Region 1, One Congress Street, Suite 1100, Boston, MA 02114-2023, telephone: (617) 918-1424, fax: (617) 918-1291, email: Kelley.Diane@epa.gov, link: <http://www.epa.gov/oswer/docs/grants/epa-oswer-oblr-10-11.pdf>

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Brownfields Assessment Grants

Program: One of three Brownfields Programs administered by the Environmental Protection Agency, assessment grants provide funds for developing inventories of brownfields, prioritizing sites, conducting community involvement activities, and conducting site assessments and cleanup planning related to brownfields sites.

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Funds: Total funds available: \$52,400,000
Maximum grant size: \$400,000
Number of awards: 185

Deadline: October 15, 2010

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations and public agencies

Information: Diane Kelley, EPA Region 1, One Congress Street, Suite 1100, Boston, MA 02114-2023, telephone: (617) 918-1424, fax: (617) 918-1291, email: Kelley.Diane@epa.gov, link: <http://www.epa.gov/oswer/docs/grants/epa-oswer-oblr-10-09.pdf>

CFDA: 66.818

HEALTH

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation

2010 Access Grants

Program: ***Updated information:*** The mission of the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation is to expand access to health care. Through grants and policy initiatives, the foundation works with public and private organizations to broaden health coverage and reduce barriers to care. The foundation has released guidelines for the 2010 Connecting Consumers with Care and Strengthening the Voice for Access grant program areas.

- Connecting Consumers with Care supports community-based organizations, community health centers, and select hospital-based programs that help low-income consumers enroll in MassHealth, Commonwealth Care, the Health Safety Net, and other public and private health access programs, and connect with providers.
- Strengthening the Voice for Access provides core operating support to organizations that promote community-based policy activities, increase citizen participation in public policy development, and promote collaboration among statewide policy and advocacy organizations on health access issues for uninsured and low-income people.

Funds: Total funds available: approximately \$2.2 million
Range of grants: \$20,000 to \$75,000

Deadline: September 10, 2010 for letters of inquiry

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status

Information: Jennifer Chow, Grantmaking Program Manager, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation, Landmark Center, 401 Park Drive, Boston, MA 02215, telephone: (617) 246-3744, email: info@bcbsmafoundation.org, link: www.BlueCrossFoundation.org

Aetna Foundation

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Regional Community Health Grants Program

- Program:** Aetna and the Aetna Foundation will award grants for philanthropic initiatives focused on the following health care issues.
- Obesity – This proposal category seeks community-based health education, prevention, and early detection efforts aimed at fighting obesity. The foundation will give preference to programs that incorporate and/or demonstrate impact on one or more of the following: family and/or caregiver involvement; physician education programs; worksite programs; community care delivery; school-based implementation; developing innovative partnerships; and linkages to ongoing preventive and sustainable care.
 - Health Literacy – Aetna believes that health literacy is an important component of health communication, medical product safety, and overall health and wellness and recognizes that improving health literacy can improve physical health and quality of life. Proposals must incorporate and/or demonstrate impact in one or more of the following: plain language approach to communications; public education and awareness programs; and training and education for health care professionals, staff, and patients.
 - Healthy Community Outreach Program – Aetna will grant awards to nonprofit organizations to support grassroots efforts that increase awareness of critical health initiatives through health walks, health fairs, and health education outreach.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$4 million
Range of grants: \$25,000 to \$50,000
- Deadline:** Quarterly; November 15, February 15, May 15, and August 15
- Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status
- Information:** Community Grants Program, Aetna Foundation, telephone: (860) 273-6747, email: AetnaFoundation@aetna.com, link: <http://www.aetna.com/about-aetna-insurance/aetna-foundation/aetna-grants/program-overview.html>

LIBRARIES

National Center for Family Literacy and Better World Books Libraries and Families Awards

- Program:** Through the 2011 Better World Books/ National Center for Family Literacy Libraries and Families Award opportunity, NCFL and Better World Books will reward and enhance existing family programming and expand literacy practices of families in library settings. The grants awarded are designed to connect more families to their local libraries and expand their literacy efforts in new and innovative ways. The program will select one winner from each of the three following categories: local Friends of the Library programs, public and academic libraries, and urban libraries.

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Funds: Grant size: \$10,000
Number of awards: three
Deadline: November 12, 2010
Eligible: Urban libraries, public and academic libraries, and local Friends of the Library groups
Information: 2011 Better World Books/ National Center for Family Literacy Libraries and Families Award, National Center for Family Literacy, 325 West Main Street, Suite 300, Louisville, KY 40202, telephone: (502) 584-1133, email: lavetisian@famlit.org, link: www.famlit.org/BWB-library-award

NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

HOPE VI Revitalization Grants

Program: The Department of Housing and Urban Development will fund grants to improve the living environment of public housing residents by substantially redeveloping and improving existing public housing developments.

Funds: Total funds available: \$124,000,000
Maximum grant size: \$20,000,000
Number of awards: six

Deadline: November 22, 2010

Eligible: Public housing authorities

Information: Leigh van Rij, Office of Public Housing Investments, Department of Housing and Urban Development, telephone: (202) 402-5788, email: leigh.e.van_rij@hud.gov, link: <http://www07.grants.gov/search/synopsis.do;jsessionid=MGQtM2GGvXbLvpFTpXMP61LN4xTyvnM01nCpLxt5hVKFZZs9Sqyn!1305050814>

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Choice Neighborhoods Initiative

Program: The Choice Neighborhoods initiative is designed to transform distressed neighborhoods and public and assisted projects into viable and sustainable mixed-income neighborhoods by linking housing improvements with appropriate services, schools, public assets, transportation, and access to jobs. A strong emphasis will be placed on local community planning for access to high-quality educational opportunities, including early childhood education. Choice Neighborhoods grants will build upon the successes of public housing transformation under HOPE VI to provide support for the preservation and rehabilitation of public and HUD-assisted housing, within the context of a broader approach to concentrated poverty. In addition to public housing authorities, the initiative will involve local governments, non-profits, and for-profit developers in undertaking comprehensive local planning with residents

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and the community. The Department is placing a strong emphasis on coordination with other federal agencies, with the expected result that federal investments in education, employment, income support, and social services will be better aligned in targeted neighborhoods. To date, the Departments of Education, Justice and Health and Human Services are working with Housing and Urban Development to coordinate investments in neighborhoods of concentrated poverty, including those targeted by Choice Neighborhoods.

Funds: Total funds available: \$3,000,000 for planning grants and \$62,000,000 for implementation grants
Maximum grant size: \$250,000 for planning grants and \$31,000,000 for implementation grants
Number of awards: 15 planning grants and 19 implementation grants

Deadline: October 26, 2010

Eligible: Public housing authorities, local government agencies, not-for-profit organizations, and for-profit developers that apply jointly with a public entity

Information: Caroline Clayton, Department of Housing and Urban Development, telephone: (202) 402-5461, email: Caroline.C.Clayton@hud.gov, link: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/nofa10/grpchoice.cfm>

CFDA: 14.889

NUTRITION

U.S. Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program

Program: The Department of Agriculture will provide grants to plan or implement Community Food Projects that improve health and nutrition among disadvantaged or low-income populations and communities. The primary goals of the Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program are to:

- Meet the food needs of low-income individuals;
- Increase the self-reliance of communities in providing for the food needs of the communities;
- Promote comprehensive responses to local food, farm, and nutrition issues; and
- Meet specific state, local, or neighborhood food and agricultural needs including needs relating to: infrastructure improvement and development; planning for long-term solutions; or the creation of innovative marketing activities that mutually benefit agricultural producers and low-income consumers.

Funds: Total funds available: \$5,000,000

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Maximum grant size: \$125,000 for one year or \$300,000 for three years for Community Food Projects and \$25,000 for planning projects

Deadline: November 17, 2010

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations

Information: Dr. Elizabeth Tuckermanty, National Program Leader, Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Mail Stop 2241, Washington, DC 20250-2241, telephone: (202) 205-0241, fax: (202) 401-6488, email: etuckermanty@nifa.usda.gov, link: http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/pdfs/11_community_foods.pdf

FOUNDATION PROFILES

Amelia Peabody Foundation

Grants to Support Disadvantaged Youth

Program: The primary mission of the Amelia Peabody Foundation is to increase, through close collaboration with local agencies, the number, range, and depth of positive learning experiences available to materially disadvantaged youth living in the cities and towns of Massachusetts. The foundation directs the majority of its funding to organizations that serve disadvantaged, inner-city youth populations. Most often the organizations receiving grants will be located in the neighborhoods that they serve and will employ staff members of the populations that they serve. Additionally, Peabody grants are made for almost any project that serves to promote and enhance the grantee organization's mission, such as:

- existing and new programs,
- capital acquisitions,
- the renovation of existing buildings and facilities, and
- the repair, maintenance, and purchase of equipment.

Funds: Range of grants: \$10,000 to \$1,000,000

Deadline: ongoing, with quarterly awards; next deadline is October 12, 2010

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status and public agencies

Information: Amelia Peabody Foundation, One Hollis Street, Wellesley, MA 02482, telephone: (781) 237-6468, email: jsmith@ameliapeabody.org, link: <http://www.ameliapeabody.org>

Jewel-Osco

Community Grants

Program: Jewel-Osco gives grants to nonprofit and school programs that meet the following focus areas:

- Hunger Relief – comprehensive hunger relief, as well as nonprofit food

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distribution centers.

- Health – health and wellness awareness, education, and programming, as well as disease management and prevention through diet.
- Nutrition – healthy lifestyles and nutrition promotion and education, as well as access to healthy foods.

Deadline: ongoing

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status and public schools

Information: Jewel-Osco, Community Relations Department, 150 Pierce Road, Suite 200, Itasca, IL 60143, link: <http://www.jewelosco.com/about/community.jsp>

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